

## PREScribing PRIVILEGES

The board is authorized to issue a certificate of fitness to prescribe to certain advanced practice nurses (APNs). Qualifications include current registered nurse licensure, a master's degree in a nursing clinical specialty area, three (3) quarter hours or two (2) semester hours of pharmacology, national specialty nursing certification and evidence of specialized practitioner skills. The application for prescriptive authority is part IV of the APN application. The certificate of fitness designation will be denoted on the APN certificate. There is no separate certificate number for prescribing privileges.

For a Drug Enforcement Agency registration system application (DEA number), go to [www.dea diversion.usdoj.gov](http://www.dea diversion.usdoj.gov) or call 1-800-882-9539.